

PRESS RELEASE

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Borough of Edgewater Veteran's Field Remediation Little League Field Completion

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The Borough of Edgewater is pleased to announce that on Friday, May 22, 2015, the James Monroe Memorial Little League Field at Veteran's Field will be turned over to the Borough of Edgewater for official use for the play of Little League games. On January 28, 2015, the Borough of Edgewater awarded the contract to Tomco Construction of Mount Arlington, New Jersey for the installation of a turf playing surface. In less than four months, a spectacular new playing field has been constructed. The sound of Little League and the sounds of children's laughter and play will again become the normal, the way it is supposed to be.

Subject to the approval of the Borough's Licensed Site Remediation Professional, First Environment, the Little League field, the basketball courts, and the children's playground at the Community Center will once again open for use by our children and residents. The Borough of Edgewater is very pleased with the outcome and its ability to reach its goal of having the Little League field, the basketball courts, and the playground turned over to the Borough by Memorial Day.

The Borough is confident and comfortable with its decision to utilize a turf playing surface on the Little League field rather than natural grass. The results of utilizing a turf product speak for itself, the facility is spectacular and ready for use. Natural grass or sod would have

required a two year growing period before use, time that the Borough of Edgewater felt was too long given the time the field has been closed due to the remediation.

The next phase of our project is to complete the restoration of all other areas of Veteran's Field. The Borough is working with its professionals and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to update its plans and specifications prior to going out to competitive bid to select a contractor to complete this final phase of the project. The Borough is extremely proud of the significant achievement it has made with the completion of the Little League field and is most anxious to complete the final phase of the project so that the Borough of Edgewater can once again have the premier recreational facility for both passive and active recreation along the Hudson River.